



May 2021 Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

May 2021

Monday 3rd – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed

Monday 31st – Bank Holiday – Nursery Closed

June 2021

Tuesday 22nd - Photographer in nursery

Wednesday 23rd - Photographer in nursery

July 2021

Friday 2nd - Staff Training Day – Nursery closed

Thursday 8th – Parents Evening 6pm (To be confirmed at a later date)

Interests and Activities in Nursery

Roos

The children are showing an interest in their bodies and are enjoying joining in with songs about bodies and body parts naming games. This interest will be extended by encouraging the children to join in with activities such as body painting, dressing dolls and cleaning their teeth, investigating toothbrushes and dough etc. These activities will encourage the children to join in with a variety of action songs and rhymes and to enjoy finding their own nose, eyes, tummy etc as part of games and songs.

Parent participation – Speak with you child about how we look after our bodies for example cleaning our teeth, having baths, brushing our hair etc. Also at bath time introduce body naming games and rhymes.

Piglets

The children have started to plant sunflower seeds at nursery and are learning how to look after them and watch them grow. This activity will be extended to include the introduction of different books related to flowers, plants, seeds and growing, they will also be encouraged to count objects in the garden such as petals, stones etc. These activities will encourage the children to say some number names and to notice and talk about features of objects in their environment.

Parent participation – Plant some seeds and/or with your child, encourage them to help you look after them and watch them grow.

Tiggers

The children really enjoyed watching the Volcano experiment and making volcano pictures. This interest will be extending by giving the children an opportunity to join in with a variety of volcano based activities such as making volcanoes out of playdough, Duplo, junk modelling etc, watching volcano videos and looking at volcano books etc. These activities will encourage the children to talk about what they see and to understand that different media can be combined to create new effects.

Parent participation – Make a volcano at home with your child and watch what happens, see Volcano experiment below.

Christopher Robins

The children have been planting seeds to take home and to grow at nursery. Over the next few weeks they will learn what we have to do to care for our seeds/plants and what plants need for them to be able to grow. We will also be measuring the plants as they grow. These activities will encourage the children to develop an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time and to show an awareness of number and measurement.

Parent participation – Help your child to look after the seed that they planted and nursery. Plant some more seeds/flowers/plants with your child and encourage them to help you look after them.

Record of Developments

The staff have been working hard to complete a Record of Development for your children. We have a few more to complete and proof read then they will be uploaded to Tapestry for you to read and make a comment on if you would like to. If your child has just started with us then they will have an Initial Assessment completed 4 to 6 weeks after their start date which will be uploaded for you to read and comment on. While this is happening unfortunately the uploading of observations has fallen behind, we are doing our best to catch up with this. I thank you for your continued understanding and support in this area.

Summer Menu

We have a new Summer Menu starting next week. I have attached a copy for your information. If you would like a paper copy you can collect one from the table in the foyer.

Car Park

It is lovely to see so many of your children playing together outside nursery at the end of their session. We have had so many times over the last year or so where the children have not been able to socialise with each other that it is wonderful they can now spend time with their friends. However, please can I ask that your children play on the grass area as the college is now fully open and the car park is used in the evening as well as the day time.

Staff Training Day – Friday 2nd July

Every year we hold a Staff Training Day and this year it will be Friday 2nd July. This gives the staff team much needed time to update their knowledge and time for some team building. The nursery will be closed on this day and you will not be charged, thank you.